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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Godfroid et al.  
Appl. No. : 09/910,430  
Filed : July 19, 2001  
For : IDENTIFICATION AND MOLECULAR  
CHARACTERIZATION OF PROTEINS,  
EXPRESSED IN THE IXODES RICINUS  
SALIVARY GLANDS  
Examiner : Nolan, Patrick J.  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to office Action mailed October 21, 2003 (Paper # 15), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Please cancel Claims 13-21.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.